IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE

OF

CHARLES EDWARD SCHLOSSER, M.D. (NO. 25865)

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, CHARLES EDWARD SCHLOSSER, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of Mississippi Medical License No. 25865, issued by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure ("Board") on June 8, 2018, and said license expires on June 30, 2023;

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2021, Licensee, in order to avoid a disciplinary hearing, voluntarily entered into a Consent Order with the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, hereinafter referred to as the "Louisiana Board," for failure to comply with certain of the Louisiana Board's rules on the treatment of chronic pain;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Board imposed discipline which included a public reprimand; a requirement for completion of Continuing Medical Education (CME) courses in Professionalism and Medical Ethics, Prescribing, and Record Keeping; and a Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000.00) fine. This Board finds that the discipline imposed in the Louisiana Consent Order was appropriate and should be mirrored by the Board to the extent permitted by law. Therefore, Licensee will be issued a Public Reprimand and will be required to provide to this Board proof of successful completion of each CME course ordered by Louisiana. Under Mississippi state law, this Board does not have the authority

to issue administrative fines, so that requirement will not be repeated here, although Licensee will be required to submit proof of the administrative fine in full to the Louisiana Board.

WHEREAS, during the investigation into the circumstances that culminated in the Louisiana Consent Order, representatives of this Board discovered that Licensee had failed to fully disclose material information about the Louisiana investigation on his initial application for a Mississippi License, and a subsequent Mississippi renewal application.

WHEREAS, there are now pending before this Board certain allegations related to Licensee's conduct;

WHEREAS, the allegations, if established before the Board, would constitute violations of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act, specifically, Subsections (7), (9), and (8)(f) of 73-25-29, and § 73-25-83 (a) of Miss. Code Ann. (1972), as amended, for which the Board may revoke the medical license of Licensee, suspend it for a time deemed proper by the Board, or take any other action as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Licensee to avoid an evidentiary hearing before the Board and, in lieu thereof, has agreed to enter into this Consent Order, thereby admitting the facts and allegations as set forth herein, subject to the terms, conditions and restrictions as specified below.

WHEREAS, Licensee acknowledges his failure to timely disclose the material information about the Louisiana investigation, but asserts that this failure was the result of mistake or carelessness, and denies that this failure was caused by intentionally deceptive conduct as set forth in the Board's charging affidavit;

WHEREAS, based on the evidence obtained by the investigative staff, Licensee's failure to timely disclose the information in question could have been the result of mistake or carelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, does hereby REPRIMAND Licensee, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- Licensee shall provide to the Board written confirmation that he has successfully completed all requirements imposed by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, including completion of Continuing Medical Education (CME) courses in Professionalism and Medical Ethics, Prescribing, and Record Keeping; and payment of a Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000.00) fine to the Louisiana Board.
- 2. In addition to the requirements imposed by Louisiana, Licensee shall attend and successfully complete the following additional Continuing Medical Education (CME) course: The PROBE Program (Professional/Problem-Based Ethics), offered by Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (CPEP). Licensee shall submit proof of his successful completion to the Board on a timely basis. Licensee shall register for, and attend, said course within the next six (6) months. If additional time is needed for attendance, Licensee shall submit a written request for an extension, to be approved in advance by the Executive Director of the Board. All costs relating to CME requirements of this paragraph are borne by Licensee. This is in addition to the forty (40) hours of

- CME requirements as cited in Title 30, Part 2610, Chapter 2 of the Board's Rules and Regulations.
- 3. Licensee shall obey all federal, state, and local laws, and all rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine.
- 4. Licensee shall reimburse this Board for all costs incurred in relation to the pending matter pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-30, said amount not to exceed \$10,000. Licensee shall be advised of the total assessment by separate written notification and shall tender to the Board a certified check or money order made payable to the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, on or before forty (40) days from the date the assessment is mailed to Licensee via U.S. Mail to Licensee's current mailing address.
- 5. Upon acceptance of this Consent Order by the Board, the Board agrees this Consent Order is to conclude the mirroring of the original discipline imposed by the Louisiana Board and should not be considered a violation of the Consent Order entered by Licensee with the Louisiana Board on December 30, 2020.

This Consent Order shall be subject to approval by the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Consent Order, in whole or in part, it shall have no force or effect on the parties. It is further understood and agreed that the purpose of this Consent Order is to avoid a hearing before the Board. In this regard, Licensee authorizes the Board to review and examine any documentary evidence or material concerning the Licensee prior to or in conjunction with its consideration of this Consent Order. Should this Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Consent Order and other documents and matters pertaining thereto by the Board shall

not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in any further proceedings.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that, should Licensee challenge or dispute any provision or statement in this agreement during the Board approval process, this Consent Order will automatically be rendered null and void, formal charges will be reinstated, and this matter shall be set for a full evidentiary hearing at the convenience of the Board.

Should the Board hereafter receive documented evidence of Licensee's violating any of the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, the Board shall have the right, pursuant to a full evidentiary hearing, to revoke the medical license of Licensee, suspend it for a time deemed proper by the Board, or take any other action determined as necessary by the Board.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that this Consent Order, if approved and executed by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, shall constitute a public record of the State of Mississippi. Licensee further acknowledges that the Board shall provide a copy of this Order to, among others, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Board makes no representation as to action, if any, which the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, insurance company, insurance panel, healthcare network, agency or jurisdiction may take in response to this Order.

Recognizing his right to notice of charges specified against his, to have such charges adjudicated pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-27, to be represented therein by legal counsel of his choice, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, CHARLES EDWARD SCHLOSSER, M.D., nevertheless,

hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to enter an order accepting this Consent Order, thereby **PUBLICLY REPRIMANDING** his medical license, subject to those terms and conditions listed above.

Executed, this the _____ day of January 2023.

CHARLES EDWARD SCHLOSSER, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED, this the 19th day of January 2023, by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

WILLIAM D. MCCLENDON, M.D.

Board President